

Agency Activity Inventory by Agency

Appropriation Period: 2003-05 Activity Version: 2004 Sup w/ Alloc & Activities

Agency: 144 - Municipal Research Council

Municipal Research Services

The Municipal Research Council is composed of legislators, city and county officials, and one member appointed by the Governor. The council's primary purpose is to provide Washington's local officials with professional advice, research, and information on topics related to local government. The council has no independent staff, but contracts with the Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development and with the Municipal Research and Services Center, a private non-profit agency in Seattle. Through the center, the council responds to local requests for advice and information on municipal law, finance, growth management, public works, management, and operations. The center's library holds the state's largest collection of municipal reference materials, with over 12,000 volumes. The center also publishes many research articles and operates a web site that received 2.17 million visitors in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003. These consolidated services reduce the need for local staff and are especially crucial to smaller units of local government. (County Research Services Account-State, City and Town Research Services Account-State)

Statewide Result Area: Improve the ability of State Government to achieve its results efficiently and effectively

Category: Provide support services to government agencies

FY 2004				FY 2005			
Total	GFS	Other	FTEs	Total	GFS	Other	FTEs
\$2,305,000	\$0	\$2,305,000	0.0	\$2,316,000	\$0	\$2,316,000	0.0

Expected Results:

Number of visitors to the Municipal Research and Service Center website.

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